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## Durham to Celebrate Arbor Day March 6

*Public Invited to Plant Trees After Ceremony*

- What:** City of Durham 2016 Arbor Day Celebration with Community Tree Planting
- Who:** City of Durham General Services Department [Urban Forestry Division](#), [Keep Durham Beautiful](#), [Trees Across Durham](#), and [Durham City-County Sustainability Office](#)
- When:** Sunday, March 6, 2016, from noon to 4 p.m.
- Where:** [Museum of Life and Science](#)  
433 W. Murray Ave.  
Durham, N.C. 27704

### Fast Facts:

- This annual celebration of Durham's trees is free and open to the public. Activities are suitable for all ages and tools are provided for the volunteer tree planting. The schedule of activities includes:
  - Noon: Ceremonial presentation of the City's Arbor Day proclamation and Tree City USA award
  - 1 p.m.: Tree seedling giveaway and educational table displays, where attendees can choose from eight varieties of seedlings and receive guidance on tree selection, planting, and care.

- 1 p.m.: Arborist equipment demonstration as well as a “Meet a Scientist” lab demonstration.
- 2:30 p.m.: Community volunteer tree planting of 30 trees along North Glendale Avenue
- Entry on Sunday, March 6 to the [Museum of Life and Science](#) is free to all Durham County residents with identification, such as an N.C. driver's license. Showing proof of residence for each adult is required to receive free admission and the limit is five children per adult resident.
- For additional information, or to volunteer for this community tree planting event, email [info@keepdurhambeautiful.org](mailto:info@keepdurhambeautiful.org) or call (919) 354-2729.

### **About the General Services Department**

The [City of Durham General Services Department](#) creates, manages and maintains City properties to provide best value to the Durham community. The core business functions include: Administration/Business Services, Facilities Operations, Landscape Services, Urban Forestry, Real Estate, Project Management, Cemeteries, and Keep Durham Beautiful. As guided by the City's [Strategic Plan](#), General Services serves as a steward of the City's physical and environmental assets. Through annual and long-range facility planning activities, the department plans, provides, and maintains the City's facilities infrastructure, which supports the community's quality of life and serves as a foundation of a healthy economy.

### **About Keep Durham Beautiful**

[Keep Durham Beautiful](#) is a nonprofit, volunteer organization working in partnership with the [City of Durham General Services Department](#) and [Durham County](#) to encourage residents, businesses, and community organizations to protect the environment and enhance the appearance of Durham through cleanup events, beautification projects, waste reduction, and educational activities. To learn more, visit the [website](#), like on [Facebook](#), and follow on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

### **About Trees Across Durham**

[Trees Across Durham](#) is a broad-based partnership dedicated to making Durham a healthier and greener community now and in the future through the planting and protection of trees; the education of tree caretakers and the general public about how to maintain healthy trees; and the

measurement and communication of the benefits trees provide to the environment and community.

**About the Durham City-County Sustainability Office**

The mission of the [Durham City/County Sustainability Office](#) is to help protect and improve Durham's environment through wise use of natural resources by providing guidance and resources to City and County employees, businesses, and residents. For more information, like on [Facebook](#) and follow on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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